

SENATE BILL No. 552

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-10.1-2-1.

Synopsis: Length of school year. Extends the number of student instructional days from 180 days to 196 days by the 2008-2009 school year.

Effective: July 1, 2005.

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January 20, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career Development.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-10.1-2-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 1. (a) A school year is
3 the period of time beginning after June 30 of each year and ending
4 before July 1 of the following year, except when a different period is
5 specified for a particular purpose.

6 (b) A student instructional day in grades 1 through 6 consists of a
7 minimum of five (5) hours of instructional time. A student instructional
8 day in grades 7 through 12 consists of a minimum of six (6) hours of
9 instructional time. For purposes of this section, instructional time is
10 time in which students are participating in an approved course,
11 curriculum, or educationally related activity under the direction of a
12 teacher, including a reasonable amount of passing time between
13 classes. However, instructional time does not include lunch or recess.

14 (c) ~~For the 1987-88 school year, each school corporation shall~~
15 ~~conduct at least one hundred seventy-five (175) student instructional~~
16 ~~days. For the 1988-89 school year and each school year after that, For~~
17 **the 2005-2006 school year, each school corporation shall conduct at**



least ~~one hundred eighty (180)~~ **one hundred eighty-five (185)** student instructional days, **one (1) of which must be an additional day for staff professional development activities.** For the 2006-2007 school year, each school corporation shall conduct at least one hundred ninety (190) student instructional days, one (1) of which must be an additional day for staff professional development activities. For the 2007-2008 school year, each school corporation shall conduct at least one hundred ninety-five (195) student instructional days, one (1) of which must be an additional day for staff professional development activities. For the 2008-2009 school year and each school year after that, each school corporation shall conduct at least two hundred (200) student instructional days, one (1) of which must be an additional day for staff professional development activities. No later than June 15 of each school year, the superintendent of each school corporation shall certify to the department the number of student instructional days conducted during that school year.

(d) If a school corporation fails to conduct the minimum number of student instructional days during a school year as required under subsection (c), the department shall reduce the August tuition support distribution to that school corporation by an amount determined as follows:

(1) For the ~~1987-88~~ school year, the amount determined under STEP THREE of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Divide the amount of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for the ~~1987-88~~ school year by one hundred seventy-five (175):

STEP TWO: Subtract the number of student instructional days that the school corporation conducted from one hundred seventy-five (175):

STEP THREE: Multiply the amount determined under STEP ONE by the amount determined under STEP TWO:

(2) For the ~~1988-89~~ school year and each school year after that, the amount determined under STEP NINE of the following formula:

STEP ONE: Determine the remainder of:

(A) the amount of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for the particular school year; minus

(B) that part of the total tuition support allocated to the school corporation for that school year with respect to student instructional days one hundred seventy-six (176) through one hundred eighty (180).

STEP TWO: Subtract the number of student instructional days

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1 that the school corporation conducted from one hundred eighty
 2 (180).
 3 STEP THREE: Determine the lesser of five (5) or the remainder
 4 determined under STEP TWO.
 5 STEP FOUR: Divide the amount subtracted under STEP ONE(B)
 6 by five (5).
 7 STEP FIVE: Multiply the quotient determined under STEP FOUR
 8 by the number determined under STEP THREE.
 9 STEP SIX: Subtract the number determined under STEP THREE
 10 from the remainder determined under STEP TWO.
 11 STEP SEVEN: Divide the remainder determined under STEP
 12 ONE by one hundred seventy-five (175).
 13 STEP EIGHT: Multiply the quotient determined under STEP
 14 SEVEN by the remainder determined under STEP SIX.
 15 STEP NINE: Add the product determined under STEP FIVE to
 16 the product determined under STEP EIGHT.
 17 (e) The department may grant a waiver of the penalty imposed under
 18 subsection (d) for a particular number of cancelled student instructional
 19 days if:
 20 (1) the school corporation applies to the department for a waiver
 21 of the penalty imposed under subsection (d) for a specific number
 22 of cancelled student instructional days; and
 23 (2) each of the particular number of student instructional days
 24 requested to be waived under this subsection was cancelled due
 25 to extraordinary circumstances.
 26 (f) The department shall develop guidelines for school corporations
 27 to apply for a waiver under subsection (e).

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